## DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

35<sup>TH</sup> AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY BRIGADE UNIT #15757 APO AP 96266-5757

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MEMORANDUM FOR All 35<sup>TH</sup> Air Defense Artillery Brigade Assigned Soldiers and Civilians SUBJECT: 35<sup>TH</sup> Air Defense Artillery Brigade Policy Letter #3 – Alcohol Policy

## 1. References:

- a. Army Regulation (AR) 600-85, Army Substance Abuse Program (ASAP), 24 March 2006.
- b. United States Forces Korea (USFK) Regulation 27-5, Individual Conduct and Appearance, 20 May 2004.
- c. USFK Command Policy Letter #45, Alcohol Consumption During JCS-Directed and other USFK Level Exercises, 15 August 2006.
  - f. USFK Command Policy Letter #8, Legal Drinking Age, 28 May 2006.
- 2. <u>Purpose</u>: The 35<sup>th</sup> ADA BDE is a forward deployed air defense unit providing the primary means of air defense for USFK and our ROK allies against potential North Korean and other airborne threats. To ensure success of our wartime mission an acceptable portion of the force must be sober and ready to "Fight Tonight." To meet that end, this policy details measures that will maximize unit readiness. This policy encourages maximum involvement of subordinate units by offering flexibility in the development of local policies consistent with their mission and disciplinary needs, as well as deglamorizing alcohol use. Subordinate unit polices will adhere to the directives contained in this policy.

## 3. Policy:

- a. Underage Drinking: IAW USFK Command Policy Letter #8, no one under the age of 21 may purchase, possess, consume, or be served alcoholic beverages on any military installation or in any military activity in the Republic of Korea. Also, no members of the United States Armed Forces under the age of 21 may purchase, possess, or consume alcohol while physically present in the Republic of Korea. Therefore any person who violates USFK Command Policy Letter #8, including those who purchase or provide alcohol to those who are under age 21, may be subject to UCMJ action.
- b. Possession: Subordinate units will develop policy to determine the amount of alcohol Soldiers in their formation may possess. In developing policy for alcohol possession, units will use their discretion commiserate with their readiness requirements.
- c. Designated Warrior: Subordinate units will develop policies to ensure that at least a skeletal formation of their unit is alcohol-free at any given time. Soldiers who are required to be alcohol-free under this policy are 'Designated Warriors.' Soldiers participating in an exercise or field training event are prohibited from consuming alcohol.

- (1) In Processing: All Soldiers rotating into the Republic of Korea (either through individual PCS, or with an entire battery) are automatically assigned as Designated Warriors for their first 30 days in-country. Soldiers are prohibited from consuming or possessing alcohol during this time so they can focus on critical mission-readiness tasks.
- d. All personnel involved in a validated alcohol incident will attend a session of the Saturday alcohol refresher training course conducted at Osan Air Base. Designated personnel will attend the training course with their first line leader.
- e. Army Substance Abuse Program: Any Soldier who is involved in alcohol-related misconduct will be immediately command directed to the ASAP.
- (1) Alcohol Testing Program: Subordinate units will develop a system to ensure their units comply with alcohol testing IAW AR 600-85, paragraph 1-33 with a minimum of 10% random testing.
- (2) Administrative Separation: In accordance with AR 600-85, paragraph 1-34, an administrative separation action will be initiated and processed to the separation authority, for Soldiers involved in two serious incidents of alcohol-related misconduct in a year.
- f. Brigade troops not stationed at Osan Air Base that are involved in a validated alcohol incident in the Songtan Entertainment District outside Osan Air Base or in the clubs on the installation will be denied access to the Songtan Entertainment District and Osan Air Base clubs after 2000 hours. Battery Commanders will, in writing, formally counsel these Soldiers. Additionally, the counseling will clearly state that Soldiers will not consume alcohol while on shopping and dining trips to Osan Air Base and the Songtan Entertainment District and the length of time of this condition on liberty.
- 4. Exceptions to any portion of this policy may only be granted by the brigade commander, and must be submitted in writing.
- 5. This is a punitive policy. Individuals who fail to comply with the provisions of this policy may be subject to punishment under the UCMJ or adverse administrative action.

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